

ACTIVE WEEK IN LOCAL BUILDING

Sprouse-Reitz Store to Move Into New Location Within Next Few Days

Although the last few days brought forth only two new building permits, the construction activity in La Grande has been very pronounced with work starting on the new U. P. depot, the Masonic building, and several other structures. In the meantime, buildings already under way are moving ahead rapidly. Among the more important announcements of the week was that Julius Roesch will build the seventh story of the structure next to the Salsajawa Inn during this year.

Plans for the Masonic building have arrived in La Grande but announcement of time for opening bids was not ready to make today. This morning workers started to remodel the former Piggly Wiggly location in the Reisch building on Adams avenue and before the week is closed, the Sprouse-Reitz store expects to be moved into this location. Working plans are so arranged that the store will not be closed even for a day. Manager White said this morning.

New permits issued during last week follow:

May 19—Glen Metcalf, to erect a dwelling place on Sixth between H and L avenues, to cost \$400.

May 23—E. S. Shepherd, to erect a workshop on Third between Jefferson and Grandy avenues, to cost \$20.

Church Bell At Union Continues Sunday Message

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrall

(Observer Correspondent)
UNION, Ore. (Special)—After almost a half century in its old tower, the Presbyterian bell has been transferred from its old home to the Methodist tower. This was effected the last of the week. The expenses for moving the bell were taken from a fund started three years ago for the purchase of a church bell by Mrs. S. E. Miller and her primary class. The bell itself was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Merion Davis who recently purchased the Presbyterian church property.

John Dean was called to Long Beach last week by a message stating that his father was very low. He and Mrs. Dean left Wednesday evening and hope to make the latter part of the trip by plane to reach his bedside in time. His father is 82 years of age.

Mrs. Charles Wright and daughters, Naomi and Patricia, of Baker, are visiting this week with Mrs. Bell Wright and Mrs. Edith Phyllis. They plan to remain in Union until Virginia's term at the Conservatory of Music in Portland is ended. They will then go to Mandan, North Dakota where Mr. Wright is engaged in the banking business. Gordon will remain in Baker where he is employed in the Citizens National bank.

June Smith, who attended Gooding college the past year, plans to spend the summer taking Normal work at Albion, Idaho, preparatory to teaching this coming year in that state.

The haying season is somewhat advanced in the valley and several are beginning their summer's work.

Mrs. W. O. Miller left for Portland last Wednesday to visit her son, Glen, and family.

Mrs. Geo. Hoffman attended a party in La Grande on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Stewart drove in from New Plymouth on Friday, returning home on Sunday. Mr. Stewart thinks the road through Burnt River canyon will be much improved when the curves are eliminated but doesn't appreciate using the road at this time while the work is in progress.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Cockrell, of High Valley, have a new son, born last Thursday.

If a few broken hours of sleep matched between a midnight lunch and early breakfast enable it to be called a slumber party, then Leona Spray, Clara Van Houten, Emma Wolf, Mae Shanks and Mildred Gauthier had one at the Gauthier home on the Benson ranch last Thursday night. They report a jolly time.

Donna Clara Gale spent last week visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gorham, in Cove.

Mrs. Frances Tallman has fitted up an attractive beauty shop in the Brusher building on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. De Lap and Marguerite passed through Union en route to Portland the last of the week. They had been to home to get Mr. De Lap's father, who has been rather ill.

E. A. Selber has returned from Hot Lake and is able to be about again. His daughter, Mrs. Wright, arrived from Nevada last week.

F. B. Conner spent Friday and Saturday working at his Enterprise store.

The Bonin dam on Catherine creek has been very popular during the morning hours recently. Numerous salmon have been taken by successful fishermen—Richard and Edwin Davis, H. H. Bonney, J. E. and Ted Hutchinson, J. E. Allen, Geo. Winship and Eugene Reuter. Eugene Reuter broke the record with an 18-pounder Saturday morning. However, there are much larger ones reported that were not landed.

A. B. Davis drove to Dayton, Wash., last Saturday to visit his cousin, Newt James, who was ill. He returned home Sunday and word came on Monday the cousin had died, so Mr. Davis returned to Dayton on Wednesday for the funeral.

Walter Davis returned from Seattle on Friday after a few weeks stay in the city.

Mrs. Effie Hubbert came in

SCORN PROFIT TO AID HEALTH OF THE PUBLIC

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP)—To insure the public against eating fruit tainted with spray poisons, a scientific discovery said to be worth a small fortune has been given without profit by two research specialists of the Oregon State college agricultural experiment station.

The scientists are Henry Hartman and H. R. Robinson. Their unusual gift is a present to the fruit growing industry of a process for removing spray poisons from the fruit.

The formula is protected against private exploitation by a public service patent.

For many years fruit containing residues from heavy arsenate of lead spraying was sold uncleaned, as the normal amount of poison remaining in the skin was not considered dangerous.

Recently the federal government ordered that all fruit be cleaned thoroughly and that none showing a trace of spray be exported.

Robinson and Hartman perfected a wash that costs about one-half cent per bushel to clean fruit. Their process has become standard in the fruit growing districts of the west and is reported spreading to the midwest and the east.

"Montana Moon" Depicts Western Scenic Grandeur

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has given movie-goers first of seeing city streets and apartment house interiors a fresh outlook in "Montana Moon." Joan Crawford's latest starring vehicle which opened last night at the State Theatre. For the plot of this picture is laid on a Montana ranch and its scenes of cattle grazing on the wide plains, its tremendous mountains and its deep canyons make this production worth while for its pictorial effectiveness alone. The picture is further removed from the humdrum by containing in its cast an actual group of cowboys whose exploits in roping steers, riding bucking horses and otherwise occupying themselves in Western pursuits are like a fresh breeze after a season of crimes and urban sophistication.

Miss Crawford is seen as the daughter of a retired cattle-raiser who comes from New York with a party of friends to spend a brief vacation on her father's ranch in Montana. Here she falls in love with a cowboy whose honest, rugged character seems a relief to her after a season of effete Easterners.

Moving Day Affects 'Phones
NEW YORK (AP)—The nomadic urge to find new homes which New Yorkers obey each spring and fall makes a lot of work for the New York Telephone company. It moves more than 100,000 phones during each migration.

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HOUSE ON HILLSIDE SAVES SPACE

By the Associated Press
Designed for a lot with a slope is this modern house of simple construction. By the term "modern" is meant the recent type of plan in vogue at present.

Economy of space is a feature of the house. The arrangement of the kitchen back of the living room here takes only one chimney, which handles together the fumes from the kitchen range, the furnace and the living room fireplace.

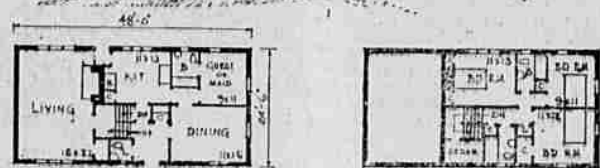
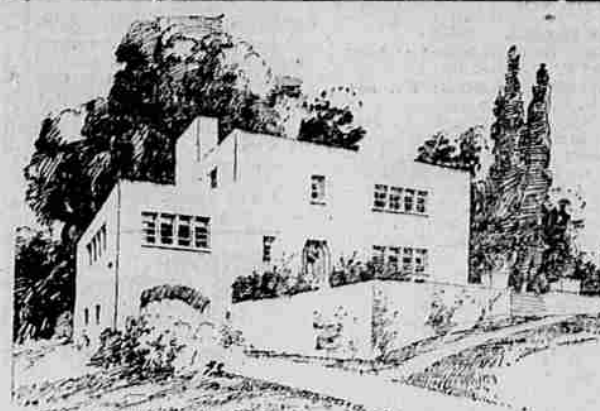
There are a few steps up to the living room, which is built over the basement garage, shown at the left of the sketch. The separate staircase is another feature of the plan. From it one may enter any part of the house without going through any of the other rooms. Thus the owner may go from his bedroom all the way to the basement without disturbing his sleeping guests.

The outside finish of this house is stucco in rough texture. The color is light blue and high pink shades laid one over the other to give a blended effect. The front door and scales should be in French gray for ideal harmony.

A lot for this type of house should be at least 50x100 feet in size, and the house should face to the north. The cost would range from \$3,500 to \$10,000.

A house designed for a side-hill lot, such as this, is adaptable to sites frequently found in many of the principal states, Pennsylvania, New York and all the New England states in the east, and California and its neighboring states in the west about in sites ideal for this type of home.

An attractive garden may be laid out in the walled area in front of the house, as shown.



Improvement Gossip

Finish Plastering—Harry Hoffman completed the plastering of The Observer building on Sixth street Saturday. He will finish the plaster and stucco work at the Standard station Tuesday. He is to start plastering and stuccoing a new home for Mr. Chandler in Fruitdale Tuesday.

Kalsomining—Edwards and Price have kalsomined a house on Spring street for Mrs. Charles Stringham. They also redecorated a house for C. W. Bunting on Seventh street.

Plumbing Wiring—The Electric Service store has completed the wiring for the Union Oil station.

Working at Pendleton—Harry Hoffman started bathing a Texaco filling station at Pendleton today and also started to plaster and stucco a \$20,000 residence in the same city. The first job calls for California stucco.

Work Progressing—The work of excavating for the basement of the Masonic building on Adams avenue to be occupied by the J. C. Penney Co. store when completed, was started last week and is progressing at a rapid rate.

Painting and Kalsomining—W. C. Erberg did some painting and kalsomining at the home of Nate Zweifel last week.

Painting—J. Miller of Noah's paint store is painting a house on M avenue for John Hodgkin.

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Copper Taken From Smoke
NEW YORK (AP)—In copper refining smoke from furnaces is so laden with copper dust that it is trapped for removal of the copper.

German Radio Sales Grow
BERLIN (AP)—Sales of radio apparatus in Germany showed a 50 per cent increase last year over 1928. The production of receivers and amplifiers accounted for

half of the total manufactured by the German radio industry.

RADIO ON MULEBACK
WASHINGTON (AP)—Eight portable radio sets for use in the army have been bought by the Venezuelan war department from this country. They are designed to be carried on muleback.

Chile is encouraging colonization of its lands.

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